

REMARKS:

At the time of the Office Action, claims 1-9, 11-16 and 21-23 were pending. Claims 9 and 11-16 stand allowed, claims 1-8 were rejected, and claims 21-23 were withdrawn. Pursuant to this Amendment, claims 1 and 21 have been amended. Claims 1-9, 11-16 and 21-23 remain pending in the subject application.

Allowance of claims 9 and 11-16 is noted with thanks.

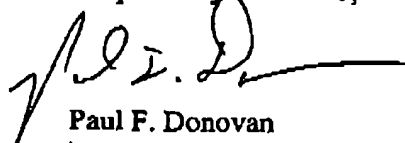
Without agreeing with the Examiner as to what is or is not taught by the art of record, in order to put this case into condition for allowance, claim 1 has been amended to include limitations of allowed claim 15, and claim 21 has been amended to include limitations of allowed claim 9. In addition, claim 21 has been amended to more clearly read on the elected species. Moreover, claim 21 is generic so dependent claims 22 and 23 should be given consideration, and allowed for at least the same reasons applied thereto, as well as for the additional subject matter recited in each.

No new matter has been added by way of the remarks made herein. Allowance of all the pending claims is respectfully requested. In the event that there are any remaining issues that need to be addressed, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number indicated below.

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